



Docket No. 740801-14

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In, re Patent Application of:)
Ilan Ziv et al.) Examiner: Laurie A. Mayes
Serial No. 09/622,058)
Filed: August 24, 2000) Group Art Unit: 1653
For: PEPTIDES FOR INHIBITION OF)
APOPTOSIS AND PHARMACEUTICAL) Confirmation No.: 5286
COMPOSITIONS)

**RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION/ELECTION
OF SPECIE REQUIREMENT**

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Sir:

In response to the Restriction Requirement/Election of Species mailed September 5, 2003, the Applicants set forth the following election:

Group I, drawn to claims 1-15 and 21

and

Species 2, directed to SEQ. ID No. 2, and which is readable on claim 8; while claims 1-4, 10-15 and 21 are generic to the elected specie.

In addition to the above election, the Applicants additionally note that numerous requests for correction of the Official Filing Receipt have been filed and to this date have not been addressed, i.e., see the filing date on the form PTO-90C attached to the Office Action of September 5, 2003. The Examiner will note from the Notification of Acceptance of Application Under 35 U.S.C. 371 and 37 C.F.R. 1.494 in the application that the filing date should be August 24, 2000 and not December 29, 2000 as shown on the Official Filing Receipt and in the USPTO's Patent Application Information Retrieval (PAIR) system. It is respectfully requested that the Examiner, in the next


Office Action, indicate that the correction of the Official Filing Receipt has been made and, as evidence thereof, provide the Applicants with a corrected Official Filing Receipt with the next Office Action.

Should the Examiner believe a conference would be of benefit in expediting the prosecution of the instant application, she is hereby invited to telephone counsel to arrange such a conference.

Consideration and allowance of the instant application is now respectfully requested.

Lastly, it is noted that a separate Extension of Time Petition (four months) accompanies this Response along with an authorization to charge the requisite extension of time fee to Deposit Account No. 19-2380 (740801-14). However, should that petition become separated from this Response, then this Response should be construed as containing such a petition with the required payment being charged to Deposit Account No. 19-2380 (740801-14).

Respectfully submitted,

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